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## MLK WEEKEND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY TO WORK IN CANCER SURVIVORS PARK

**GREENVILLE, SC** - The United Way Hands On Greenville program, the City of Greenville and the Cancer Survivors Park Alliance (CSPA) are partnering over the Martin Luther King weekend to offer volunteer opportunities to clean up and clear approximately 3 acres at the site of the Cancer Survivors Park (CSP). The following volunteer time slots are available:

Friday, January 16: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, January 17: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, January 18: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The park will be located along the Swamp Rabbit Trail, adjacent to the Greenville Chamber of Commerce. The unique design of the park will blend meditative spaces, inspirational sculpture and cutting-edge technology to inspire every person to live each moment to its fullest, and change the way they live with cancer.

The project is a tribute to all survivors – defined as those living with and fighting the disease currently, as well as families, friends and caregivers who have lost someone to the disease. The park will be a focal point of survivorship celebrations and a place of spiritual connection for all those touched by cancer.

The project involves hand-clearing approximately 3+ acres of weeds, underbrush and debris as well as removing small trees and pruning trees along both sides of the Reedy River. Volunteers are asked to wear protective clothing, boots and gloves and bring clippers to help clean up the banks of the Reedy River.

Volunteers will meet at the lower level parking lot of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce, 24 Cleveland St, Greenville, SC 29601. For more information and to sign up, go to <a href="https://www.handsongreenville.org">www.handsongreenville.org</a> KEYWORD Cancer Survivors Park or <a href="https://www.cancersurvivorspark.org">www.cancersurvivorspark.org</a>.

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## About the Cancer Survivors Park Alliance

**VISION:** To change the way we live with cancer.

**MISSION:** To serve as a catalyst for collaborative activities that engage, educate, empower and enhance the lives of anyone touched by cancer and to ensure the sustainability of the CSP as the central venue for carrying out that mission.

## About our Partners

The City of Greenville, ReWa and the Naturaland Trust have partnered with The Cancer Survivors Park Alliance to transform 6.8 acres of land between Falls Park and Cleveland Park into a unique space for meditation, education and celebration. Once complete, the space will become a city park, and be maintained by the City of Greenville.





